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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: CISCO II - THE BRITISH CONNECTION

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1. GWYNRE ROBERTS ADVISES THAT HE SPOKE WITH LEN CAMPBELL BY TELEPHONE EVENING OF APRIL 12 AND CONFIRMS THAT CAMPBELL PLANNING TRAVEL LONDON APRIL 18 EN ROUTE TO KHARTOUM. AT CAMPBELL'S REQUEST, ROBERTS AND DOWNEY WILL ACCOMPANY HIM TO KHARTOUM, ETD LONADON APRIL 22.

2. REQUEST DEPARTMENT INFORM MR. CAMPBELL THAT HE MAY CONTACT MR. C. EDWARD DILLERY, DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLITICAL SE:TION (TELEPHONE 499-9000, EXT. 114) DURINAG WEEK OF APRIL 19 SHOULD HE DESIRE ASSISTANCE OR UPDATE OF SITUATION.

3. KHARTOUM: ALTHOUGH ROBERTS AND DOWNEY PREVIOUSLY TRAVELED TO SUDAN AS "TOURISTS", THEY NOW FEEL THEY MUST DECLARE THEMSELVES AS JOURNALISTS AND FEAR THAT THIS MAY RESULT IN BUREAUCRATIC DELAYS IN ISSUANCE OF SUDANESE
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VISAS. ROBERTS WOULD THEREFORE BE GRATEFUL IF KHARTOUM

COULD INFORMALLY REQUEST SUDANESE AUTHORITIES TO AUTHOR-
IZE PROMPT ISSUANCE OF VISAS IN LONDON. IN ADDITION,
ROBERTS WOULD APPRECIATE NAME OF AN OFFICER AT EMBASSY
KHARTOUM WHOM HE CAN CONTACT FOLLOWING ARRIVAL. AS
REFLECTED IN PREVIOUS LONDON TRAFFIC, WE HAVE FOUND
ROBERTS TO BE MOST HELPFUL, RELIABLE AND DISCREET.

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